Debaring income tax payers from PDS

†2681. CHAUDHARY CHUNNI LAL: Will the Minister CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether income tax payers have been debarred from PDS;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) whether there is any impact of this move on subsidy?

THE MINSITER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHRIRAM CHAUHAN): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The Government has not debarred the Income Tax payers from the purview of the public Distribution System (PDS) for supply of Foodgrains, edible oil and kerosene. However, the Income Tax payers and their family members have been excluded from the purview of PDS sugar with effect from 1.7.2000. A statement indicating Income Tax assesses Chief Commissionerate of Income Tax/Director General of Income Tax region-wise is as at Statement (See below). The State Government/UT Administ rations have not yet finalised the list of Income Tax assesses and their family members. However, the levy sugar quota of the State Governments/UT Administrations have been reduced on ad-hoe basis w.e.f. 1.7.2000.

(c) There has been reduction in sugar subsidy due to this move.

Statement

List of Income Tax Assesses

SI. No.	CCT/DGIT Region	No. of existing assesses as on 31.1.2000
1	2	3
1.	Mumbai	494046
2.	Mumbai-II	691579
3.	Mumbai-III	698359

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1	2	3
4.	DGIT(E) Calcutta	35662
5.	Delhi	883435
6.	Delhi-II	303921
7.	Delhi-III	198562
8.	Chandigarh	1320232
9.	Panchkula	609373
10.	Calcutta	994634
11.	Calcutta-II	428810
12.	Calcutta-III	742386
13 .	Каприт	662556
14.	Lucknow	728135
15 .	Patna	911289
16.	Guwahati	468873
17.	Bhubaneshwar	283119
18.	Ahmedabad	770752
19 .	Ahmedabad-II	934555
20.	Bhopal	1001703
21.	Jaipur	1047782
22 .	Pune	1797217
23.	Bangalore	1086748
24.	Cochin	576100
2 5.	Hyderabad	1005687
26.	Chennai	1108102
27.	Chennai-II	624461
28.	DG (INV) Delhi	3841
29.	DG(INV) North Lucknow	1712
30,	DG(INV) South Bangalore	1688
31.	DG(INV) East Calcutta	4443
32.	DG(INV) West Ahmedabad	1659
33,	DG(INV) Mumbai	3291
34.	DG(INV) Chennai	1655
	GRAND TOTAL:	20426367